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9. A container according to Claim 1, wherein said track has at least one terminal end disposed outboard of said seal.

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10. A container according to Claim 9, wherein said hinge is disposed outboard of said seal.

11. A method of opening and closing a container, said container comprising upstanding sidewalls and a removable cover sealably engagable at a perimeter seal, said seal being applied to and releasable from said container by a slider movable along a track, said method comprising the steps of :
- providing said container and said cover, providing a slider disposed in a track having first and second spaced apart terminal ends, said terminal ends of said track being spaced apart from said seal;
- moving said slider from said one said spaced apart terminal end into engagement with said seal;
- tracing said slider along said track congruently with said seal, whereby said slider opens or closes said cover relative to said container as said slider applies or releases said seal, respectively.
12. A method according to Claim 11, wherein said step of opening or closing said container comprises the step moving said slider from the first terminal end to the second terminal end, said track subtending an arc of less than 360 degrees.
13. A method according to Claim 11, wherein said step of tracing said slider comprises the step of activating said slider to apply said seal, whereby said seal is operable against a static hydraulic pressure of 2.5 centimeters of distilled water.

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